Team Up!

Apply for the Stem Cell and Aging COBRE Pilot Grant Award!

https://www.lifespan.org/centers-services/cobre-center-stem-cells-and-aging

Stem Cell and Aging (SCA) COBRE is inviting teams of translational researchers, consisting of basic and clinical scientists with at least one early-stage investigator, to submit a preliminary application/letter of intent for the SCA Pilot Grant Award Program.

Preliminary applications/letters of intent should contain:

- title of the project,
- basic information about the investigators,
- 2-3 sentences describing the focus of the project

and be submitted by December 1st, 2023 5pm ET through Brown UFunds system:

https://ufunds.brown.edu/ (Search for: SCA COBRE 2024 Pilot)

We invite teams of applicants to consult the scope of the project with the program directors Pr. Pat Dubielecka and/or Dr. Adam Olszewski and discuss the experimental outline with the Biostatistician Dr. Zhijin Wu and SCA COBRE Core Facility directors Mark Dooner (Flow Cytometry/Mass Cytometry Core), Dr. Sicheng Wen (Extracellular Vesicles Core) and Dr. Olin Liang (Lentiviral Construct Core). Two drop-in info sessions are planned in the first and third weeks of November. Pre-application experimental design-focused sessions with our Core Leaders are strongly encouraged.

Timeline for full proposal submission:

• Letters of Intent due: 12/04/2023

Invitation to submit full application: 01/05/2024
Full proposal submission deadline: 03/08/2024

Notification: 05/01/2024Project Start: 06/01/2024

Funding details:

- \$50,000 per year for 2 years
- \$4,500 to support a summer stipend for a student
- Mentoring oversight by teams of mentors (with paid 2.5% of effort) with expertise in fundamental sciences and clinical research
- Consultations and support by Biostatistician and the SCA COBRE Core Facilities
- Post-award mentorship, advisory and grantsmanship services for program awardees
- Two teams consisting of basic and clinical scientists will be awarded per funding cycle

Please note that eligibility requirements apply. Applicants must hold a faculty appointment or equivalent with Brown University or the University of Rhode Island at the time funding is awarded. Pls must hold a full-time faculty appointment at Brown or URI at the Assistant or Associate Professor rank. Hospital-based faculty members are eligible. At least one of the pilot

investigators must be an early-stage investigator who has not served as the PI of a federally funded grant. Team of investigators must include at least one basic- and one clinician-scientist. The full RFA is attached to this email.

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